

ABSTRACT

A glass breaking table includes two rows of suction pads, on either side of a gap between table platforms. A breaking strip in the gap can be raised. A pressure tool including two fingers is provided above one end of the gap. A glass sheet is held on either side of the gap by negative pressure to the suction pads and is pre-tensioned in a convex manner, (the convex face of the sheet having a scored line), with the aid of the breaking strip, which can be raised uniformly along the entire length of the glass sheet in the vicinity of the scored line. The pressure tool exerts a pressure from above only in the vicinity of one end of the scored line in the edge region of the sheet on both sides of the scored line, initiating the breaking of the pre-tensioned glass sheet along the scored line.